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113 der Letten /Wooden buildings and tools of the Letts/ (St. Petersburg, 1907) Part I and (1918) Part II.

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ccc 1. Bathroom, roof construction. 2. Peat drying under sheets of bark. 3. Dwelling on a foundation of field boulders. 4. Dwelling with a porch-like construction before the door. 5. Hand-operated mill. 6.-8. Musical instruments. 9. A granary transformed into a dwelling. 10. Zoche (hand plow with forked share). 11. Beehive made out of a hollow tree stem. 12, 17, 21. Types of wayside crosses. 13. Granary with roof arcade and large roof ridge. 14. Stringed zither made of an osier switch. 15. Shephard's trumpet made of wood, bark, and reed. 16. Holder for a burning pinewood splinter. 18. Wayside cross with shrines. 19. Farmyard surrounded by a wall, with wayside cross. 20. Cross with shrines in a graveyard.[1]

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181 The forests, with their many lakes and swamps, between the Baltic and the middle Dvina, from the upper Neman to Daugavpils, are accessible only with great difficulty and removed from the large communication routes. As a result they have preserved, in greater purity than is the case anywhere else, the culture and the language of a very ancient member of the European race. They are as little understood by the Germans as by the Slavs; they are as different from the Finns and their magically conditioned powers of the will as they are from the Germanic peoples and their restless thirst for conquest of the
Li physical world. On the other hand, in their religious organization they
● 144 are clearly oriented towards the western part of our continent. In all these characteristics the Lithuanians manifest themselves as the remnant of a pre-Germanic racial group that grew up in Europe. At one time it migrated from the west to its present-day territory, but it has
Li been settled there for thousands of years already. They may be the
142 "aestuarii" that Tacitus mentions as living east of the Germans. We encounter narrow, long faces, blue eyes, blond hair, and medium-
ccc sized, slender figures. They are industrious, peace-loving, and

1 [For illustrations, see 1: Karutz, E1 Europe, cat. #6, p. 26a--Amh]